

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 1, insert the following heading:

TITLE OF THE INVENTION:

Page 1, before the paragraph beginning on line 2, insert the following heading:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 2 with the following:

The invention pertains to a door having a door leaf which can be moved between an open position and a closed position, and a guide rail arrangement to guide the movement of the door leaf ~~according to the introductory clause of Claim 1.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4 with the following:

Doors of this type are used in the form of garage doors and

industrial gates. The door leaf can consist of a plurality of panels, which are hinged to each other along axes which are perpendicular to the rail element. In these types of doors, also called sectional doors, the door leaf is in a substantially ~~more-or-less~~ vertical plane when in the closed position and is usually in an overhead horizontal position when in the open position. So that the door leaf can be guided between the closed position and the open position, a guide rail arrangement is provided. This arrangement has at least one rail element which is substantially ~~more-or-less~~ vertical and parallel to the lateral edge of the door leaf when the door is closed; a rail element which extends overhead in a more-or-less horizontal direction and is parallel to the edge of the door leaf when the door is open; and a circular arc-shaped rail element, which connects these other two rail elements. The substantially ~~more-or-less~~ vertical rail element can be attached by a plurality of angle-shaped fastening elements to the wall containing the opening to be closed by the door leaf.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 5 with the following:

To assist the opening movement of the door leaf, a

counterbalancing device is usually provided in the form of, for example, a tension spring or torsion spring arrangement, which is tensioned during the course of the closing movement and relaxed again during the course of the opening movement. The counterbalancing device is usually connected to the door leaf by a tensioning mechanism ~~means~~ attached to the lower edge of the door leaf. During the operation of doors of this type, it is possible for the user to be injured by coming into contact with the tensioning mechanism ~~means~~ when reaching into the gap formed between the substantially ~~more-or-less~~ vertical rail element and the wall. To solve these problems, ~~so-called~~ angle frames with two sidepieces are usually used. The sidepieces extend over the entire length of the substantially ~~more-or-less~~ vertical rail element and form an angle of approximately 90° with each other. The first sidepiece is attached to the wall, the second to the rail element, so that the second sidepiece makes it impossible for anyone to reach into the gap formed between the rail element and the wall. Doors with these types of angle frames are described in, for example, DE 10 113 847. Pressed-out sections are also provided in the angled frame, with the help of which, in cooperation with a latching bolt attached to the door leaf, it is possible to prevent the door leaf from moving when such movement is not desired. It is thus possible effectively to prevent the

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door from dropping and also to prevent it from being raised.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 9 with the following:

Nevertheless, it has been found that it is comparatively complicated and therefore correspondingly expensive to install these types of doors in which the rail element is attached to the wall by an angle frame. Doors of this type ~~according to the introductory clause of Claim 1~~ are also indicated in EP 1 114 908 A2. Sliding doors with a protective element assigned to a guide rail arrangement are described in U.S. Patent No. US 5,398,902.

Page 3, before the paragraph beginning on line 16, insert the following heading:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 1 with the following:

These tasks are accomplished according to the invention by a

door in which the guide rail arrangement is provided with at least one protective element that can be attached to at least one of the fastening elements and that serves to bridge the gap between the rail element and the wall. The second sidepiece has a receiving area formed as a pressed-out section to accept a fastening area of the protective element ~~an elaboration of the known doors indicated in the characterizing clause of Claim 1.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 4 with the following:

These types of doors are especially easy to install, because the rail element with the individual fastening elements can be attached to the wall without the use of bulky and difficult-to-handle angle frames. The risk of injury from doors according to the invention is reduced in that, after the rail element has been mounted on the wall by ~~means of~~ the fastening elements, a protective element, which bridges the gap between the rail element and the wall, is attached to the rail element and/or to at least one of the fastening elements and thus prevents anyone from reaching into this gap and running the risk of injury from contact with the tensioning mechanism ~~means~~.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 17 with the following:

To improve the visual appearance and to achieve a further increase in the operating reliability of the inventive door, it is preferable for the protective element to have a cover area, where an intermediate space, which is designed to receive fastening elements serving to fasten the rail element to the second sidepiece, is formed between a boundary surface of the second sidepiece of the fastening element opposite the rail element and the cover area. The fastening arrangement ~~means~~ used to fasten the rail element to the second sidepiece can be in the form of screw bolts passing through the rail element and the second sidepiece with nuts screwed onto them, where these nuts can be accommodated in the intermediate space formed between the cover area and the second sidepiece of the fastening element. This has the effect of reducing the risk of injury from the nuts, which would otherwise be exposed.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 11 with the following:

The protective element of an inventive door has no load-

bearing function. Therefore, it can be produced inexpensively out of plastic. As already explained above, this invention can be used to particular advantage in sectional doors, in which the door leaf has a plurality of panels, which are hinged to each other along axes which are substantially ~~more-or-less~~ perpendicular to the rail element.

Page 6, before the paragraph beginning on line 18, insert the following:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 18 with the following:

The invention is explained below with reference to the drawing, to which explicit reference is made with respect to all of the details which are essential to the invention but not discussed in detail in the specification. The single figure of the drawing shows a horizontal cross section through an inventive door in the area of the substantially ~~more-or-less~~ vertical rail element.

Page 7, before the paragraph beginning on line 4, insert the following:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 4 with the following:

The door shown in the drawing comprises a door leaf with a plurality of panels hinged to each other, only one of these panels 10 being shown in the drawing; a guide rail arrangement with a substantially ~~more-or-less~~ vertical rail element 20 parallel to the lateral edge of the door leaf when the door is closed; a plurality of fastening elements 30 for attaching the rail element to a wall containing the opening to be closed by the door leaf; and a protective element 40.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 12 with the following:

A guide roller 12, which is held in the rail element 20, is attached to the panel 10, so that the movement of the door leaf can be guided by the guide roller 12 accommodated in the rail

element 20. The fastening element 30 is designed in the form of an angle piece with a first sidepiece 32, which is attached by ~~means of~~ a screw 33 to the wall, and a second sidepiece 34, which forms a right angle to the sidepiece 32. To attach the rail element 20 to the second sidepiece 34 of the fastening element 30, two screws 35 in all are provided, which pass through the rail element 20 and this second sidepiece 34. Nuts are screwed onto the ends of these screws 35 facing away from the rail element 20 to ensure a reliable attachment of the rail element 20 to the second sidepiece 34 of the fastening element 30. The rail element 20 is attached to the wall by a plurality of fastening elements 30 of the type shown in the drawing, where a predetermined spacing is maintained between the individual fastening elements 30.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 8 with the following:

To bridge the gap remaining between the rail element 20 and the wall, a protective element 40 is provided. This protective element 40 can be pushed onto the fastening elements 30 after the rail element 20 has been fastened to the wall by ~~means of~~ the fastening elements 30. * For this purpose, the second sidepiece 34

of the fastening element 30 has a pressed-out section 36, which forms a receptacle for a fastening area 42 of the protective element 40. This fastening area 42 is designed in the form of a web, which is substantially ~~more-or-less~~ parallel to the second sidepiece 34. On the boundary surface facing the second sidepiece 34, the fastening area 42 is provided with a profiling in the form of webs 43, which taper down to a point; these webs prevent the protective element 40 from being pulled out of the receptacle formed by the pressed-out section 36. Adjacent to the fastening area 42, the protective element 40 has an outward-slanting web 45, which merges with a web 44, parallel to the second sidepiece 34; the web 44 merges in turn with a web 48 extending toward the second sidepiece 34. This has the result of creating a cover area, which, together with the boundary surface of the second sidepiece 34 opposite the rail element 20, creates an intermediate space 50, in which the nuts 35 are accommodated. In addition to the cover area, the protective element has a protective area 46, which proceeds from the sidepiece 45 toward the wall, parallel to the second sidepiece 34 of the fastening element 30; this protective area bridges the gap formed between the rail element and the wall. Because the protective element 40 has no load-bearing function, it can be produced of plastic in the inventive embodiment shown in the drawing.

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